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For: A METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THIN-FILM MAGNETIC HEAD MATERIAL  
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Sir:

In reply to the October 1, 2002 Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE TITLE:**

Please change the title to --A METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THIN-FILM MAGNETIC HEAD MATERIAL--.

**IN THE ABSTRACT:**

Please replace the Abstract as follows:

--A manufacturing method is provided for manufacturing a head material including: a plurality of rows of head-to-be sections to be thin-film magnetic heads; an inter-row cutting section provided to be a position at which adjacent ones of the rows are to be separated; and an intra-row cutting section provided to be a position at which adjacent ones of the head-to-be sections in each of the rows are to be separated. The method includes the steps of: